# **COMMISSION NEWS**

Newsletter from the Kansas Real Estate Commission



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#### Upcoming Commission Meetings

#### **August 19**

Meetings are open to the public and located at the Commission office in Topeka.

If you plan to attend, please call the office to confirm the date, time, and location.
Click **here** for more information.

Licenses must be renewed every two years.

Check your expiration date here.

#### "Alexa, ask Kansas Real Estate..."

The Commission partnered with Kansas.gov to create the **Kansas Real Estate Alexa skill**. This voice-enabled tool uses your Amazon device to provide accurate information that is easily accessible by licensees, members of the industry, educators, and the public. Information available for licensees includes:

- License number
- Licensee name
- License type
- License expiration date
- License original issue date
- License status
- Continuing education hours on record
- Other commonly asked questions

Get started by saying, "Alexa, enable Kansas Real Estate skill" to your Amazon device or download the skill from Amazon here. When asking a question, first say "Alexa, ask Kansas Real Estate" then add your request. For example, try "Alexa, ask Kansas Real Estate what is the status of my license?" A demonstration video is available at: krec.ks.gov/alexa.

### **Supervising Brokers to Report Changes Within 5 Days**

Changes to K.S.A.58-3060 went into effect on July 1. A supervising broker must now give written notice to the commission within <u>five</u> days of any change to the supervising broker's name, business name, trade name, office location, or broker designated as the branch broker or supervising broker of an office.

58-3060(c) also states, "A supervising broker shall give written notice to the commission within <u>five</u> days of closure of a primary office or branch office. The commission shall place each license that is still affiliated with the closed office, at the time of closure, on inactive status unless that license is affiliated with another office."

Forms to report these changes are available on the KREC website.

## **Commission Members**

Bryon Schlosser, Chair, 2<sup>nd</sup> District | Joseph Vaught, Vice Chair, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Errol Wuertz, 1<sup>st</sup> District | Sue Wenger, 4<sup>th</sup> District | Connie O'Brien, Member at Large

Erik Wisner, Executive Director Laura Kelly, Governor

The mission of the Kansas Real Estate Commission is to protect the public interest, which embraces both the interests of the regulated real estate licensees and the interests of consumers who use their services and products.



#### Welcome to MyLicense E-Gov by Alycia Smith | Licensing Specialist

To improve the licensees' experience and further our goal of going paperless, KREC is enhancing and expanding our online offerings. In addition to the recent changes to our main website, we will be rolling out several exciting changes to the online licensing system in the coming months. Soon, the following requests can be submitted entirely electronically any time of day:

- License Transfers
- Status Changes
- Licensee Name Changes
- Add or Remove Affiliations
- Pocket Card requests (download or print a new card in real time)

Gone are the days of filling out a form, collecting signatures, then mailing/emailing/faxing paperwork with payment information; our system will do most of the hard work for you! When a licensee submits a request that requires a supervising broker signature, our system will send a notification to them to obtain their acknowledgment, notify the licensee when payment is due (if applicable), and process the request automatically once the necessary information is received.\*

Look for these new features this fall. We will be sharing more information and instructional materials between now and then. We look forward to making these features available to licensees and continuing to improve our business processes!

\*NOTE: Some requests will require staff review and will not process automatically. Examples include requests from licensees with restrictions and/or conditions, reactivations for licensees who have been inactive for more than five years, and deactivation of a supervising broker license.

### **Broker Experience Changes**

A broker applicant must be licensed and actively engaged for at least two out of the last <u>three</u> years in activities which require a real estate license in Kansas. Qualifying licensed real estate activities must be for compensation and on behalf of a client or customer.

Minimum requirements for staff to approve a broker application are:

- Licensed three or more years with 30 or more transaction points
- Licensed two or more years with 40 or more transaction points
- Licensed two or more years with 20-39 transaction points, a restricted license is granted





Please see the **KREC website** for new forms and additional information about transaction points. Applications that do not meet the points requirement are referred to the Commission for review.

### **KREC** on the Go

The KREC website, **krec.ks.gov** is now mobile-friendly. At a glance visitors can quickly find a button to apply for licensure, verify a licensee or company, renew or update a license, and access forms.